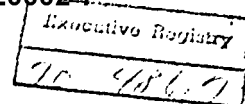


UNITED STATES STRIKE COMMAND
OFFICE OF THE COMMANDER IN CHIEF
MACDILL AIR FORCE BASE, FLORIDA, 33608



17 September 1970

Honorable Richard Helms
Director
Central Intelligence Agency
Washington, D.C. 20301

Dear Mr. Helms:

The purpose of this letter is to extend to you a cordial invitation to address and to participate in a high level conference to be conducted at Ramey Air Force Base, Puerto Rico, 24 through 26 February 1971 on the subject: "The Changing Character of the U.S. Strategic Position and the Problems of Strategic Mobility in the 1970s."

The conference will be the fifth in a series which this command has hosted on subjects of mutual interest to the State/Defense community. Among those to be invited will be the Secretaries of State, Defense and the three Services, the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, the Service Chiefs, and Commanders of the Unified and Specified Commands. The purpose of the conference, as in past years, is to provide attendees an opportunity to hear and discuss with distinguished authorities various facets of the selected subject.

It would be appreciated if you could accept this invitation and address the conference on 24 February 1971 on the subject: "Communist Strategy in the 1970s." Though the scope and content of your presentation is entirely a matter for your determination, I have attached a copy of the conference agenda with some suggested topics for your consideration.

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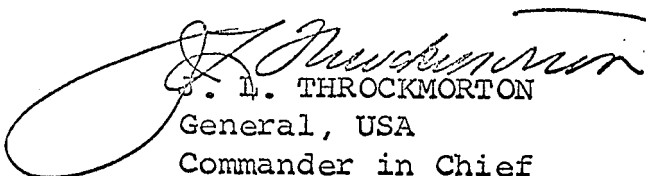
Our objective is to conduct the conference in an environment of complete academic freedom and candor. All conferees will possess TOP SECRET clearance and the facility will be appropriately secured. No publicity is planned for the conference and your remarks would be recorded only with your permission.

We recognize that your busy schedule may not permit you to attend the entire three days; however, your attendance at a portion of the conference would contribute significantly to its success. Transportation to and from Ramey Air Force Base can be arranged to meet your requirements. Should you be unable to attend, please be assured that we would be pleased to have Lt Gen Cushman or any other representative of your choice make the presentation.

I do hope you will be able to join us at Ramey. I look forward to your favorable response.

Sincerely,

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J. D. THROCKMORTON
General, USA
Commander in Chief

AGENDA
 24-26 February 1971
 RANCHO LA VILLA, PUEBLO RICO

AGENDA

WEDNESDAY 24 FEBRUARY 1971		THURSDAY 25 FEBRUARY 1971		FRIDAY 26 FEBRUARY 1971	
0830-0840	Introductory Remarks USSTRICOM Gen J.L. Throckmorton	0800-0830	DA (TBD)	0800-0840	MEAFSA Area CINCSRIKE
0840-0920	Keynote: DEPSTATE-The Hon U. Alexis Johnson	0830-0850	Discussion	0840-0900	Discussion
0920-0940	Discussion	0850-0910	Break	0900-0920	Break
0940-1010	Break	0910-0940	NAVY DEPT (TBD)	0920-1000	Pacific Area CINCPAC
1010-1040	Issues of Nat Security GSD - (TBD)	0940-1000	Discussion	1000-1020	Discussion
1040-1100	Discussion	1000-1015	Break	1020-1035	Break
1100-1115	Break	1015-1045	DAF (DCS/Plans&Ops) LTG R. Dougherty	1035-1115	European Area & NATO. CINCEUR (TBD)
1115-1145	Communist Strategy in the 1970s. CIA. (TBD)	1045-1105	Discussion	1115-1135	Discussion
1145-1205	Discussion	1105-1120	Break	1135-1300	LUNCH
1205-1315	LUNCH	1120-1150	USMC (TBD)	1300-1340	Atlantic Area CINCLANT
1315-1345	U.S. Military Power & Its Role in the 1970s. OJCS - (TBD)	1150-1210	Discussion	1340-1400	Discussion
1345-1405	Discussion	1210-	LUNCH FREE TIME	1400-1410	Closing Remarks CINCSRIKE
1405-1420	Break				
1420-1450	Resource Consideration in Global Strategy-OEP Hon George A. Lincoln				
1450-1510	Discussion				

BONUS STRIKE 71

RAMEY AIR FORCE BASE, PUERTO RICO

24-26 February 1971

1. SUBJECT: "The Changing Character of the U.S. Strategic Position and the Problems of Strategic Mobility in the 1970s."

2. SUBJECT BREAKOUT AND SPEAKER SOURCE:

A. THE SETTING.

SUBJECT

SPEAKER SOURCE/
PROBABLE SPEAKER

- (1) Policy Keynote:
National Priorities and
United States Foreign
Policy Considerations
for the 1970s.

STATE DEPARTMENT.
The Honorable
U. Alexis Johnson

SCOPE:

- a. Policy Objectives.
- b. Reaction of Free
World to our Policy.
- c. Existing Treaties.

- (2) Issues of National Security
in the 1970s.

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
OF DEFENSE.

(To be determined)

SCOPE:

- a. Defense Commitments and
Resources.
- b. Military Strategy.
- c. Military Assistance
Program.

DODUS STRIKE 71 (Continued)

SUBJECT

SPEAKER SOURCE/
PROBABLE SPEAKER

- (3) Communist Strategy in the 1970s.

CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY
(To be determined)

SCOPE:

- a. Analysis of the Threat.
- b. Communist Objectives.
- c. Communist Capabilities.
- d. Reaction to U.S. Policy.

- (4) U.S. Military Power and Its Role in the 1970s.

THE JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF
(To be determined)

SCOPE:

- a. Military Objectives.
- b. The Strategy.
- c. Overall Requirements, Force Levels, and Capabilities.

- (5) Resource Considerations in Global Strategy.

OFFICE OF EMERGENCY
PREPAREDNESS.
Honorable George A. Lincoln

SCOPE:

(To be determined)

B. MILITARY POSTURE AND STRATEGIC MOBILITY IN THE 1970s.

- (1) United States Army.

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
(To be determined)

SCOPE:

- a. Mission.
- b. Force Structure.
- c. Capabilities/Limitations.

BONUS STRIKE 71 (Continued)

SUBJECT

SPEAKER SOURCE/
PROBABLE SPEAKER

(2) United States Navy

DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
(To be determined)

SCOPE:

- a. Mission.
- b. Force Structure.
- c. Capabilities/Limitations.

(3) United States Air Force

DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
Lt Gen Russell Dougherty
(DCS/Plans & Operations)

SCOPE:

- a. Mission.
- b. Force Structure.
- c. Capabilities/Limitations.

(4) United States Marine Corps

HEADQUARTERS, UNITED STATES
MARINE CORPS
(To be determined)

SCOPE:

- a. Mission.
- b. Force Structure.
- c. Capabilities/Limitations.

(5) Middle East, Africa South
of the Sahara, and
Southern Asia (MEAFSA) Area

USSTRICOM
Gen J.L. Throckmorton

SCOPE:

- a. Mission and Plans.
- b. Requirements.
- c. Capabilities and Limitations.

(6) Pacific Area.

PACOM
Adm John S. McCain, Jr.

SCOPE:

- a. Mission and Plans.
- b. Requirements.
- c. Capabilities and Limitations.

NAVE STRIKE 71 (Continued)

SUBJECT

SPEAKER SOURCE/
PROBABLE SPEAKER

(7) European Area and NATO.

EUCOM
(To be determined)

SCOPE:

- a. Mission and Plans.
- b. Requirements.
- c. Capabilities and Limitations.

(8) Atlantic Area.

LANTCOM
(To be determined)

SCOPE:

- a. Mission and Plans.
- b. Requirements.
- c. Capabilities and Limitations.

C. CLOSING REMARKS

Gen J.L. Throckmorton
CINCSRIKE